Deputy President.—Then the question is whether your statement alone can be relied on.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Whether they will be considering the advisability?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—It is a hypothetical question.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—How is the question hypothetical? Government members cannot avoid a question by putting any plea. Whether the Government will consider it or not—what is the hypothesis in it?

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Whether they will consider the advisability of sending a circular to all Heads of Departments that they need not scrutinise or they should not scrutinise the work of their subordinates?

Mr. P. V. Subramania Ayyar.—Whatever action is required after the perusal of the judgment will be taken.

Appointment of Mr. Thomas Manjuran to try the Excise defalcation case.

275. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state why was Mr. Thomas Manjuran, one of the signatories to a petition to compromise the Excise defalcation case, appointed a Judge to try the case?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Because Government did not consider it a bar to the appointment.

Amounts decreed in the Excise defalcation case.

276. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) how much money has now been decreed by the Chief Court in the Excise defalcation case and how much by the District Court;

(b) how much money was spent by Government for this Excise defalcation litigation under various headings?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) *Chief Court* Rs. 34,515 with proportionate costs and interests.

District Court Rs. 1,02,438 with proportionate costs and interests.

(b) Rs. 8,138—8—9 till 27th July 1932.

Deputation—Arecanut growers—Eranellur.

277. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether a deputation of arecanut growers of Eranellur etc., villages waited on the Diwan in Chingam 1107;

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